

Disaster Resilient Construction

The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) was awarded a grant through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to develop new disaster resilient building code (DRBC) Appendices for the International Building Code (IBC) and the International Residential Building Code (IRC). A task force of 19 stakeholders were appointed to look for opportunities to improve any provisions relating to hurricane, flood, and tornado disasters. In addition to improving existing provisions in the codes, the task force developed new provisions that address these issues.

The results:

**Georgia State International
Building Code Appendix N
Disaster Resilient Construction
&**

**Georgia State International
Residential Code Appendix R
Disaster Resilient Construction**

The optional appendices contain increased construction requirements (**code plus**) for disaster resilience that may be adopted in whole or part and are available for adoption by local jurisdictions in the State of Georgia beginning January 1, 2013.

For questions and additional assistance regarding the Disaster Resilient Construction Appendices training program, please contact:

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Disaster Resilient Construction Appendices Workshops

**High-winds
Flooding
Storm Shelters**



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Appendices Workshops

The state has developed and is conducting a comprehensive training program for building officials on the importance, implementation and enforcement of the disaster resilient construction appendices.

DCA will start with 10 workshops which will include the communities that have been most affected by the recent tornado, high-wind and flooding events.

The training will focus on the provisions within the appendices and aid in helping a community to determine which options may apply to provide increased requirements beyond what may be currently enforced.

The one day workshops consist of (2) three hour sessions with a lunch break. The appendices workshops are provided free of charge and registration is required:

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Workshops:

Upcoming workshops:

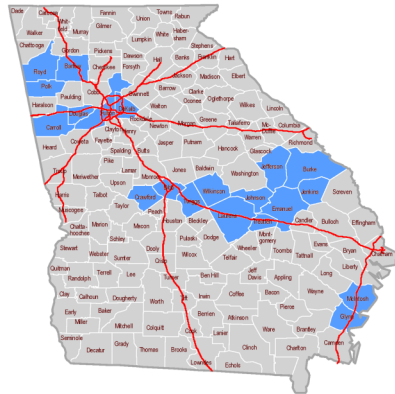
Swainsboro:	Dec. 5, 2012
Waynesboro:	Dec. 6, 2012
Atlanta:	Jan. 22, 2013
North Fulton:	Jan. 24, 2013
Macon:	Feb. 6, 2013
Carrollton:	Feb. 13, 2013
Brunswick	March 18, 2013
Rome:	April 3, 2013
Dublin:	April 10, 2013

Download appendices from DCA website:
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[http://www.dca.ga.gov/development/
constructioncodes/programs/
codeAmendments.asp](http://www.dca.ga.gov/development/constructioncodes/programs/codeAmendments.asp)

[Appendix R Disaster Resilient Construction](#)

[Appendix N Disaster Resilient Construction](#)



Workshop Outline:

Morning Session: Appendix N (IBC)
9am — 12 pm

- Overview & Adoption
- Administration Provisions
- Flood-resistant Construction
- High-wind Resistive Construction
- Storm Shelters, Safe Rooms and Best Available Refuge Areas
- Resources and References

Lunch Break: 12 pm — 1 pm

Afternoon Session: Appendix R (IRC)
1 pm — 4 pm

- Overview & Adoption
- Administration Provisions
- Flood-resistant Construction
- High-wind Resistive Construction
- Residential Storm Shelters and Safe Rooms
- Resources and References

Session handouts and training CD will be provided.